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When I paid my ~~first call on the British~~ Ambassador, Mr. Andrew Charles STEWART, on June 7, I took the occasion to mention the United States Military Assistance Program to the Libyan Army and Air Force. I told him that the studies on both the Libyan Army and Air Force which had been prepared by the two American teams had been approved by the U. S. Government, and had been presented to the Prime Minister and the Ministry of Defense of Libya. The Libyan reply was that the matter would be studied; the Minister of Defense had indicated that he would wish to make certain observations, such as the lack of armor in the program and the need to speed up deliveries. I told the British Ambassador I had asked the Libyan Ministers concerned to give us their approval in principle in order that the program could get started as soon as possible. I inquired whether Ambassador Stewart was fully informed of the details of the program and whether he had any comments.

Ambassador Stewart replied [redacted]

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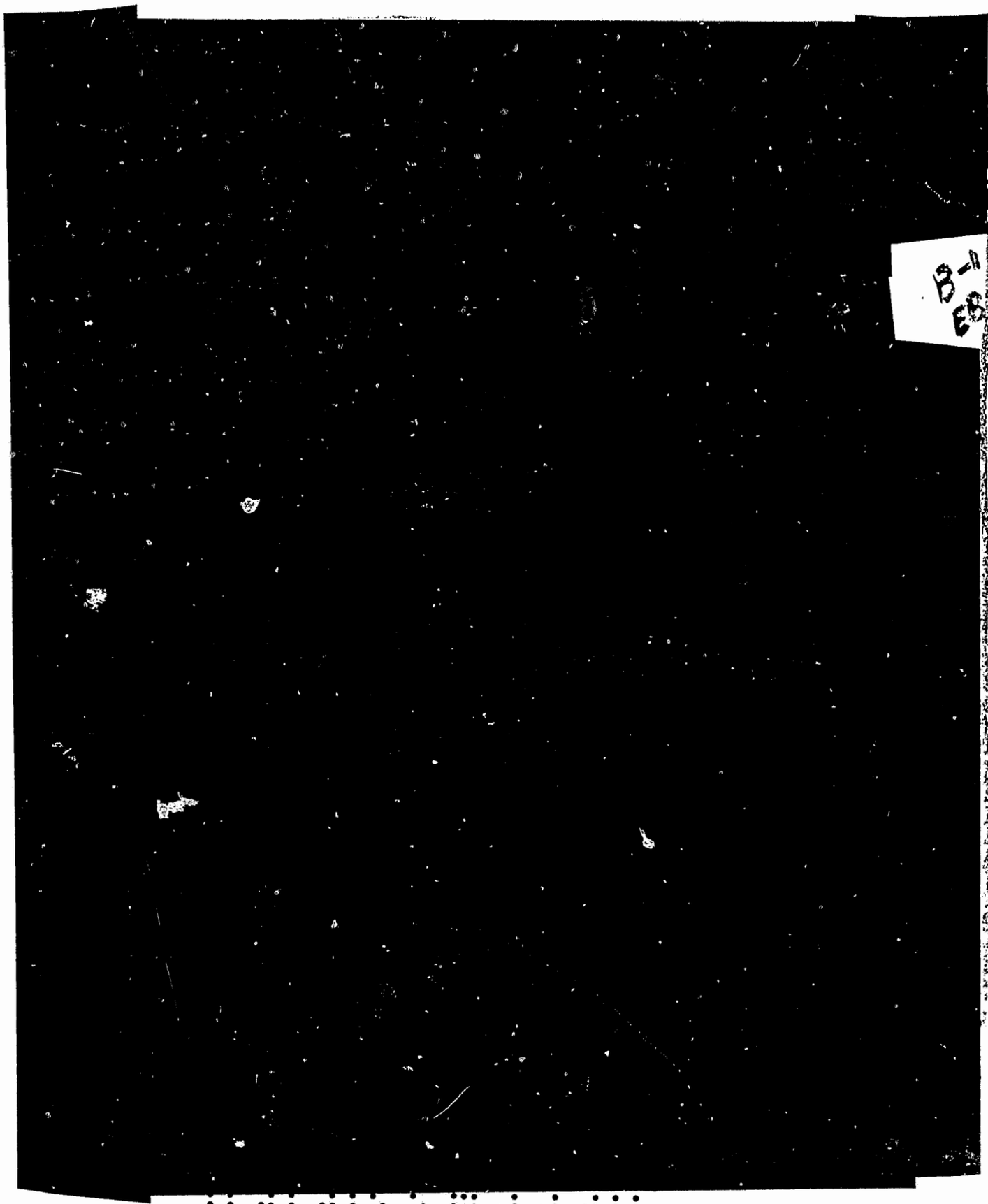

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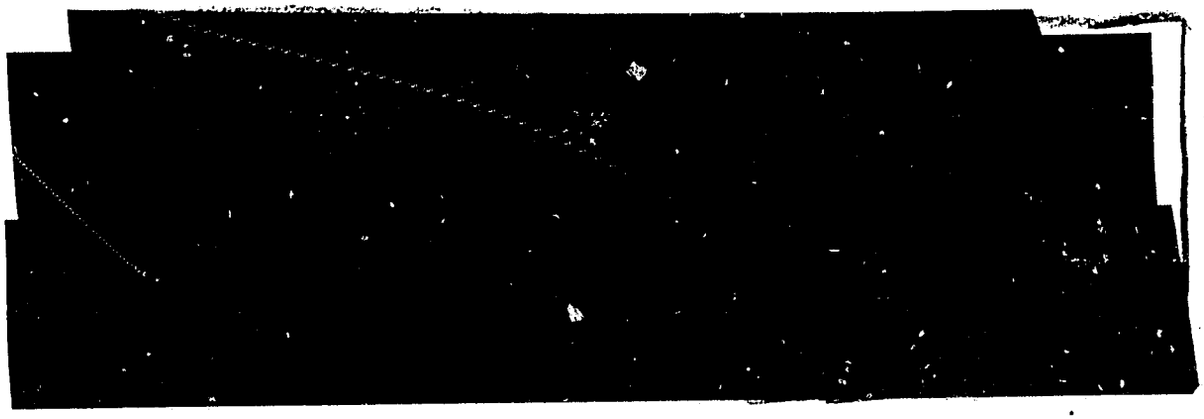

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With respect to the coordination of the U. S. Military Assistance Program with the British, Ambassador Stewart and I agreed that the best means would be through discussions between the United States' MAAG and the British Army Training Mission in Benghazi. We agreed that they would consider the matter in the light of the new United States Military Aid Program and make recommendations to Ambassador Stewart and me for any necessary changes in the existing arrangements.

E. Allan Lightner, Jr.

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